GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

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INDIRA AWAS YOJANA
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has made additional amount of allocation for various states to implement Indira Awas Yojana;

(b) whether the cost per unit is also being revised;

(c) if so, the original and subsequent additional allocation of fund made for Indira Awas Yojana during 2004-2005 financial year; and

(d) the details of the revision made as cost per unit under Indira Awas Yojana?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SURYAKANTA PATIL)

(a) to (c) Under the Indira Awaas Yojana (IAY), in addition to the normal Central allocation, additional Central assistance is provided in emergent situations for natural calamities. During 2004-2005, an amount of Rs. 400.00 crore has been allocated to the State of Bihar as special additional Central assistance in the wake of floods. 50 per cent of the additional allocated amount has already been released to the flood affected districts of Bihar . Accordingly, Ministry of Finance has been requested to enhance the existing allocation of Rs.2500 crores to Rs.2900 crores under the Indira Awaas Yojana for the current year.

(d) The ceiling on construction assistance under the Indira Awaas Yojana (IAY) has been enhanced from Rs. 20,000/- to Rs. 25,000/- per unit for the plain areas and from Rs. 22,000/- to Rs. 27,500/- for the hilly/difficult areas with effect from 1.4.2004. The upper limit of assistance in respect of upgradation of unserviceable kutcha house has also been increased from Rs. 10,000/- to Rs. 12,500/- for all areas.